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Design Application

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD OF REGULATING SMART CARD USAGE AND/OR CONCESSION
ELIGIBILITY IN A SMART CARD SYSTEM

the specification of which:



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I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56(a).

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Prior Foreign Application(s):



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Prior U.S. Application(s):



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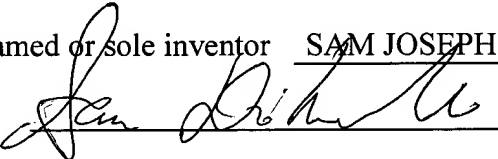
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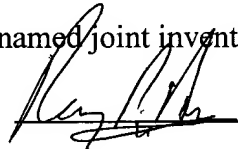
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